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Amendment A

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington D:C 20231

Sir:

Responsive to Office action dated 06/01/2007 for patent application No. 10/761,423 (filed 01/22/04), please enter the following amendments and consider the accompanying remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 16: please withdraw this claim.

REMARKS:

Claims 1-3, 5-12, 18-24 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C 103(a) as being un-patentable over Price R-W et al. (US 6,052,068). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

The examiner states that the Price patent discloses a security method for the detection and/or control of unauthorized vehicles among a large number of authorized vehicles within a controlled geographical zone (*column 11 lines 61-63, allows the determination of vehicle registration data from advantageously greater distances with multiple vehicles in the range of the system*), characterized in that all authorized vehicles are equipped with active licenses planned to perform a cryptographic action involving a secret cryptographic key (*column 4 lines 45-51, vehicle identification tags (VIT) are affixed to a car in several locations; column 9 line 3-4, encryptor employs DES or other types of encryption*), and the controlled geographical zone is equipped with automatic control points and optionally with manual control points (*column 3 lines 30-32, may be located on a police car (manual control point), or in a fixed location (automatic control point)*), each automatic control point detecting all the vehicles crossing a specific road section in its vicinity (*it is inherent that an automatic control point detects all vehicles within its vicinity*), and each manual control point selecting vehicles by the action of an operator (*column 10 line 50-55, operator selects to query a computer data-base for matches of vehicle registration data*), the vehicles detected by the automatic control points and the vehicles selected by the manual control points being hereafter referred to as designated vehicles, both types of control points being planned to acquire the results of said cryptographic actions performed by the active licenses of said designated vehicles (*column 5 line 26-29, receiver 38, signal decoding circuit 40, and the decryptor 42 work in conjunction to acquire the results of the VIT*), a cryptographic authentication algorithm involving a validation key being further performed upon each acquired said result (*column 5 lines 55-56, encryptor employs DES and it is inherent that the crypto will employ the same algorithm*), both types of control points being further planned to associate said acquired results to said designated vehicles, the designation of the vehicles, the acquiring of said results, and the performing of the cryptographic authentication algorithm upon said acquired results, not requiring a change in the motion condition of the vehicles, in particular their velocity, an alert message being transmitted to enforcement authorities for each vehicle which has been classified as unauthorized (*column 4 lines 12-21, allows authorized users to access the data-base and obtain and compare the records of motor vehicle, criminal files, of warrant files*), allowing in such a way for an immediate intervention and a possible interception of the unauthorized vehicles.